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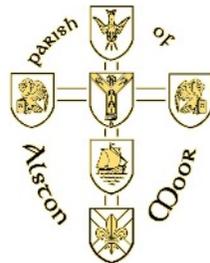
- ◆ Take this order of service, and the notice sheet, home
- ◆ Keep your distance from other people
- ◆ Clean your hands with gel

TO OUR VISITORS

Thank you
for worshipping with us today.

We thank God
for your presence in worship,
and we invite you to join us again soon.

Until then, may God bless you and keep you safe.



PARISH of ALSTON MOOR

Prayer & Praise

at **St Augustine's Church, Alston**
on **Sunday, 1st August, 2021**



Welcome back!

In order to help us all keep safe, please

- ◆ Sign in, or scan the QR code
- ◆ Clean your hands with gel
- ◆ Sit in one of the marked pews
- ◆ Keep your distance from other people
- ◆ Ensure you are wearing a face covering
- ◆ *If you are concerned about the risk of singing, please sit in the back pews*

**This service will be livestreamed on Zoom and YouTube.
Only those reading or leading worship will be filmed.**

¶ **Gathering in God's Presence**

As the service starts, we may listen to, or sing, a hymn

THE WELCOME

Welcome in the name of Christ.

God's grace, mercy and peace be with you

All **and also with you.**

Words of welcome may be said.

The world belongs to God,

All **the earth and all its people.**

◆ How good it is, how wonderful
All **to live together in unity.**

Love and faith come together;

All **justice and peace join hands.**

◆ Whether present in this building, or joining in online

All **We are united in the love of Christ.**

O Lord, open our lips,

All **and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

*We light the Easter candle, and our candles at home,
as a sign of Christ's presence among us*

HYMN 800: WE LOVE THE PLACE, O GOD



CLOSING PRAYER

All **Loving God,
thank you for this house of prayer
where we praise and thank you
for all you have given us.
Send us out into the world,
refreshed by your Spirit,
to do what you have called us to do
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Notices may be given out

HYMN 574: O PRAISE YE THE LORD



¶ **Taking Good News to the World**

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you.**

THE BLESSING

Christ, whose glory is in the heavens,
fill this house and illuminate your hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

◆ Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray the Lord's Prayer, in whichever version or language we wish

- ◆ Standing here among us is Jesus, so we join our prayers to his as we say:

Either:

All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Or:

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.



ACCLAMATION

- ◆ How awesome is this place.
All **This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gateway of heaven.**
- ◆ I saw a ladder which rested on the ground with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were going up and down it.
All **This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gateway of heaven.**
- ◆ You will see greater things than this. You will see heaven wide open, and God's angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.
All **This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gateway of heaven.**
- ◆ You are the temple of the living God, and the Spirit of God dwells in you. The temple of God is holy, and you are that temple.
All **This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gateway of heaven.**

Saving God,
open the gates of righteousness,
that your pilgrim people may enter
and be built into a living temple
on the cornerstone of our salvation,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**



SAYING SORRY, BEING FORGIVEN

- ◆ The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all.
Let us come to him, in sorrow for our sins,
seeking healing and salvation.

cf Titus 2.11

After a moment of silence, we pray

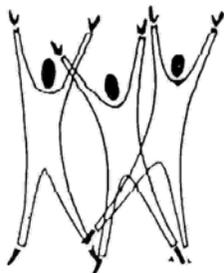
- All** Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry, and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

The minister assures us of God's forgiveness

The God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

- ◆ Blessed is the Lord,
All for he has heard the voice of our prayer;
- ◆ therefore shall our hearts dance for joy
All and in our song will we praise our God.



Therefore, in union with the heavenly Jerusalem,
with angels in joyful assembly,
with all whose names are written in heaven
and with the spirits of the righteous made perfect,
we lift up our voices to join in the triumphal song of praise:

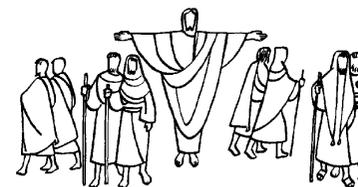
- All** Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Creator God,
as we praise you for your goodness,
with Jesus we pray for the beautiful but hurting world
you have entrusted to us.
May healing and joy abound,
justice and peace prevail,
the year of the Lord's favour be known
and your resurrection life quicken your people
as we proclaim with confidence:

- All** Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

Strengthen us through our prayer and worship in this place,
renew us as the Body of your Son
and send us out into the world
in the power of your Spirit
that we may be channels of your peace,
witnesses to your hope,
and dwellers in your joy,
through Jesus Christ,
life-giver, pain-bearer, love-maker.

- All** Amen.



¶ Giving Thanks

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

Peace to this house from God our heavenly Father.
Peace to this house from his Son who is our peace.
Peace to this house from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

All

◆ Let us offer one another a sign of peace

HYMN 40: ANGEL-VOICES, EVER SINGING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord is here

All **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
enthroned upon the praises of your people.

We thank you for this house of prayer,
in which you bless your family
as we come to you in pilgrimage.

Here you reveal your presence in sacramental signs
and make us one with you through the unseen bond of grace.

Here you build your temple of living stones
and bring the Church to its full stature
as the body of Christ throughout the world,
to reach its perfection at last in the heavenly city of Jerusalem,
which is the vision of your peace.



THE COLLECT (PRAYER FOR THE WEEK)

Almighty God,
we praise you for the many blessings
you have given to those who worship you
in this house of prayer:
and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you,
and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,
may become a living temple acceptable to you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

¶ Listening to God's Word

READINGS: EXODUS 16.2–4,9–15, EPHESIANS 4.1–16

At the end of each reading, the reader says

Into ancient words

All **you breathe new life.**



HYMN 617: PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 6.24–35

◆ Alleluia, alleluia.
Thus says the Living One:
put your trust in the One whom I have sent.

All **Alleluia**

◆ Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

◆ This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON OR REFLECTION

AFFIRMING THE CHRISTIAN WAY

As we follow the Way of Christ,
we affirm the presence of God among us,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

God calls us to share in worship.

- ◆ Jesus said, where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them.

All Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to share in prayer.

- ◆ Jesus said, remain in me, and I will remain in you.

All Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to share the Scriptures.

- ◆ Jesus met his disciples on the road
and opened the Scriptures to them.

All Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to share in communion.

- ◆ Jesus said, do this in remembrance of me.

All Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to share in service.

- ◆ Jesus said, as you do it for the least of these, you do it for me.

All Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to share the good news.

- ◆ Jesus said, go and make disciples of all nations.

All Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.



PRAYING FOR OTHERS

The prayers usually include these concerns:

- ¶ *The Church of Christ*
- ¶ *Creation and the environment*
- ¶ *Human society, the Queen, those in authority*
- ¶ *The local community*
- ¶ *Those who suffer*
- ¶ *The communion of saints*

One of these responses, or another, may be used

Lord, in your mercy

All Hear our prayer.

Or

Lord, hear us

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

Merciful Father

**All Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

